



Carlsbad Police Department

PRESS RELEASE

CRIME/INCIDENT:	Armed Robbery	CASE:	07-5294
DATE:	06/11/07	TIME:	1233 hours
LOCATION:	Union Bank, 840 Carlsbad Village Dr.		
SUSPECT 1:	Withheld, pending investigation	AGE:	18
SUSPECT 2:		AGE:	
VICTIM 1:	Union Bank of California	AGE:	
VICTIM 2:		AGE:	

SUMMARY:

At approximately 12:33 p.m., Carlsbad Police received a hold-up alarm from the Union Bank. A telephone call from the bank indicated that there was an approximately 18 year old male sitting on the floor in the bank in a swimsuit, claiming to have explosives strapped to his body, although he was only wearing a pair of swim trunks. The male had brought in a small plastic bottle containing a liquid substance, which he deposited outside the doors. The suspect claimed that this bottle contained explosive material. The suspect sat in the waiting area of the bank and the employees evacuated out a door without entering the lobby area.

As officers formed a perimeter on the building, the suspect exited and was taken into custody without incident. He is an 18 year old Carlsbad resident and has no priors for this type of crime.

Officers requested the San Diego Sheriffs Department Bomb Squad personnel, who responded and cleared the bank and the suspect's vehicle. County Hazmat personnel determined that the liquid in the bottle was non-explosive. No injuries reported and no loss incurred by the bank.

The suspect was booked at the Vista Detention Facility for Robbery and Burglary charges and is being evaluated for mental health issues.

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